Maine Revised Statutes

Title 17-A: MAINE CRIMINAL CODE

Chapter 31: OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

§758. OBSTRUCTING REPORT OF CRIME OR INJURY

- 1. A person is guilty of obstructing the report of a crime or injury if that person intentionally, knowingly or recklessly disconnects, damages, disables, removes or uses physical force or intimidation to block access to a telephone, radio or other electronic communication device with the intent to obstruct, prevent or interfere with another person's:
 - A. Report to a law enforcement agency; or [1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW).]
 - B. Request for an ambulance or emergency medical assistance to a governmental agency, hospital, physician or other medical service provider. [1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW).]

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[ 1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW) .]
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2. It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that the actor reasonably believed that the actor's conduct was necessary to prevent a false public alarm or report as described in section 509.

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[ 1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW) .]
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3. Obstructing report of crime or injury is a Class D crime.

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[ 1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW) .]

SECTION HISTORY
1999, c. 644, §2 (NEW).
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